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In Application of:

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For: INTEGRATING DIVERSE DATA SOURCES USING A MARK-UP

LANGUAGE

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 PLEASE ENTER. US 9/27/05

Sir:

In response to an Official Action dated July 14, 2005, Applicant submits the following remarks. This application contains claims 1-34, all of which were rejected in the present Official Action. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2, 12, 13 and 21-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Srivastava et al. (U.S. Patent 6,549,922) in view of Odom et al. (U.S. Patent 5,842,213) and Kwang et al. (U.S. Patent 5,862,327) and further in view of Prezioso (U.S. Patent 5,577,169). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claim 1 recites a method for processing source data from diverse sources in a selected data domain using a unified schema. The schema is selected specifically for the domain in question, from among multiple schemata that are specific to particular domains that are listed in the claim: computer system performance evaluation, customer relationship management, healthcare, and telecommunications. In other words, as noted in previous amendments filed in this case and in the specification of the present patent application, Applicant has defined the term "domains" to refer to different global application fields, which are now recited explicitly in the claims. Correspondences are